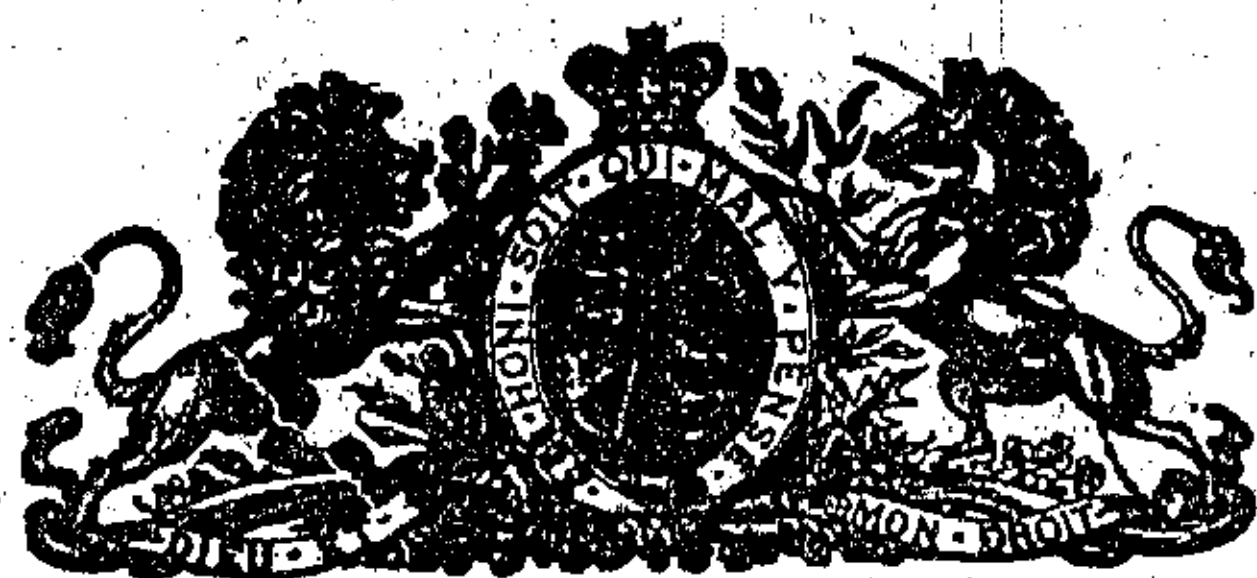


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T. JACKSON,
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Offices of the Corporation,
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Hongkong, November 26, 1878.

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Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

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A WELL-SELECTED STOCK, comprising:—

LADIES' TRIMMED and UNTRIMMED FRENCH BONNETS and HATS.

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Hongkong, December 11, 1878. ja1

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WASHERMAN'S BOOKS, for the use of Ladies and Gentlemen, are now ready at this Office.—Price, \$1 each.

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French and English BONBONS.

CHOCOLATE for DESSERT.

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Bohemian FLOWER VASES.

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Hongkong, November 29, 1878.

Intimations.

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Hongkong, December 20, 1878. ja20

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No. 8, Lyndhurst Terrace, HONGKONG.

December 9, 1878. ja9

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December 11, 1878. ja11

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Hongkong, November 26, 1878. ja1

HONGKONG & CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 27th inst. to the 3rd Proximo, both days inclusive.

A. NEWTON, Manager.

Hongkong, December 16, 1878. ja3

HUTCHINGS.

begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply BEEF, MUTTON, &c., from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support.

Shop—WELLINGTON STREET, opposite the Cathedral.

Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS has Returned and is now ready to RECEIVE PATIENTS at No. 7, ARBUTHNOT ROAD.

Hongkong, November 24, 1878.

Intimations.

MOORE & Co.,

"VARIETY STORE,"

NEWS AGENTS and TOBACCONISTS.

No. 42, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 31st instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

J. BRADLEE SMITH, General Agent, pro tem.

Hongkong, December 13, 1878.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL EXHIBITION of the SOCIETY will take place about the middle of FEBRUARY next.

The Days of Exhibition will be advertised at an early date.

W. M. B. ARTHUR, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, December 13, 1878.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY.

THE undermentioned BANKS will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, the 1st January, 1879.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation," D. A. J. CROMBIE, Acting Manager.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China," H. H. NELSON, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China," WILLIAM FORREST, Manager.

For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris," E. SCHWEDLIN, Actg. Agent.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation," T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

For the "National Bank of India, Ltd.," R. H. SANDEMAN, Manager.

Hongkong, December 23, 1878. ja1

SUBMARINE DIVING.

CAPTAIN W. CLARK has all the necessary Appliances for SALVING OPERATIONS, and is prepared to undertake Contracts to work at Wrecks to the Depth of 20 Fathoms.

For particulars as to terms, &c., apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878. ja9

Intimations.

OFFICE OF THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that in consequence of Messrs. OLYPHANT & Co. having suspended payment, the Board of Directors of the above Company, at a SPECIAL MEETING held at the Head Office TO-DAY, the 9th Instant, Appointed Mr. J. BRADLEE SMITH as General Agent, pro tem, by whom all business of the said Company will be transacted.

To Confirm the Action of the Board of Directors with Reference to the Appointment of Mr. J. BRADLEE SMITH as General Agent of the Company, an Extraordinary MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Head Office of the Company, on MONDAY, the 13th January, 1879, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, when an audited Statement of the Affairs of the Company will be submitted.

By Order of the Board,
WM. REINERS,
Chairman.
Hongkong, December 9, 1878. ja13

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOAO JOAQUIM DOS REMEDIOS, Deceased.

IT is hereby notified that Probate of the last Will and Testament of JOAO JOAQUIM DOS REMEDIOS, Deceased, was Granted to the Undersigned on the 25th day of November, 1878.

(Signed) J. H. DOS REMEDIOS,
" D. A. DOS REMEDIOS,
" M. C. DO ROZARIO,
" A. A. DOS REMEDIOS,
Hongkong, December 14, 1878. ja14

AFONG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,
by appointment, to
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, H. E. ADMIRAL ALBERT P. RYDER, and to R. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA.

UNDER the Management of Dr. K. GRIFFITH, recently of the Woodbury Co. Enlargements are now being made in PERMANENT PIGMENT, Guaranteed to be indestructible by time or climate and at Prices very little more than were charged for the old perishable Silver Prints.

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ALL STYLES OF PHOTOGRAPHY Taken Daily at Moderate Charges. Studio, QUEEN'S ROAD, Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, December 13, 1878.

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Now Ready.

No. 2—Vol. VII.

—OF THE—

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Jottings from the Book of Rites. Short Notices of New Books and Literary Intelligence.

Notes and Queries.—Devices for Keeping Time. Modes of Consulting the Oracles. Chinese Rank Notes. The Mammoth.

The Emperor Styled "Brother of the Sun and Moon."

The K'i-lu. A Remarkably Tame Bird. Legends on Soapstone and Chinaware. The Portuguese Sovereignty over Macao.

Breeding Pearls. Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c. China Mail Office, Hongkong, November 9, 1878.

Notices to Consignees.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by Steamship "GAELIC" are hereby notified that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Company's Godown, at West Point, whence and/or from Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained, on countersignature of Bills of Lading. Goods remaining unclaimed after the 31st Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. B. ELLORY, Agent.

Hongkong, December 23, 1878. de30

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

L. HENNEQUIN, Agent.

Ex "Anadyr,"
T. H. Tan Siva, 4 pags. Metal, from Batavia.

Ex "Pei Ho,"
NIMK (in diamond) 54/5 Imp. Aldridge & Co. Salmon & Co., from London, 2 cases Millinery.

Hongkong, December 5, 1878.

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

M. R. H. VERNON begs to announce that he will shortly take his

FAREWELL BENEFIT.

On which occasion he will be assisted by the AMATEUR DRAMATIC CORPS, Who have kindly given their valuable services.

COMEDY AND OPERA FOR MR. H. VERNON'S FAREWELL BENEFIT.

Particulars shortly.
Hongkong, December 16, 1878.

For Sale.

S. A. M. B. I. N. G. STULTZ,

HAS JUST RECEIVED PER "OYHRENESE,"

AND

HAS FOR SALE—

NEW PATTERNS IN CARPETS.

WINDOW CURTAINS of all kinds.

TABLE CLOTHS & TABLE NAPKINS.

HATS IN EVERY STYLE.

DRESS BOOTS, and SHOES.

88 and 90, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, December 11, 1878. ja11

NOTICE.

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FOR SALE,

IN QUANTITIES TO SUIT PURCHASERS.

Apply at the GAS WORKS, West-Point.

A. NEWTON, Manager.

Hongkong, November 5, 1878. ja1

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

FONTEYNE, British ship, Capt. Geo. B. Taylor.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

COMMISSARY, British ship, Captain A. Morison.—Meyer & Co.

FANNY, French barque, Captain E. M. Gouyo.—Landstein & Co.

NAPIER, British barque, Capt. W. L. Bryar.—Messageries Maritimes.

TAIWAN, German barque, Captain C. Jensen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

ANNIE S. HALL, American barque, Capt. Ohs. H. Nelson.—Captain.

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CINGALEE, British barque, Captain John Le Couter.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PRINCE ARTHUR, British barque, Capt. R. Wills.—Chinese.

KYIK, Norwegian barque, Captain Ole Larsen.—Meyer & Co.

MAID OF JUDAH, British barque, Capt. Alfred W. Webb.—Rozario & Co.

DAVINA, British barque, Captain Geo. Scott.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCOW.

The Steamship "DOUGLAS"

Captain Youre, will be de-

spatched for the above Ports

on SUNDAY, the 29th Instant, at Daylight,

instead of as previously advertised.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.

Hongkong, December 27, 1878. de29

FOR AMOY, TAMSUI & TAIWANFOO.

The Steamship "HALLOONG"

Captain GOODE, will be de-

spatched for the above Ports

on SUNDAY, the 29th inst., at 10 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.

Hongkong, December 27, 1878. de29

LOST.

A SMALL WHITE DOG, answers to the name "CYRIL." A liberal Reward will be given by returning it to No. 12, Hollywood Road.

Hongkong, December 27, 1878. de29

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE

GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA,

BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MED-

TERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTH-

AMPTON, AND LONDON,

VIA BOMBAY,

ALSO

BOMBAY, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM

NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship

"TEHERAN," Captain A. H. JOHNSON,

will leave this on SATURDAY, the 4th

January, 1879, at Noon.

Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the direct route. Silk and Valuables will be forwarded to the Calcutta steamer at Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to

A. McIVER, Superintendent,

Hongkong, December 27, 1878. ja4

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "YANGTZE,"

E. SCHULZE, Master, will

be despatched for the above

Port TO-MORROW, Saturday, the 28th

Instant, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, December 27, 1878. de28

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"VOLGA,"

Commandant ROLLAND, will be

despatched for YOKOHAMA

on SATURDAY, the 28th Instant, at 4 p.m.

L. HENNEQUIN, Agent.

Hongkong, December 27, 1878.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship

"IRAOUADY,"

Commandant GAUVAIN, will be

despatched for SHANGHAI

on SUNDAY, the 29th inst., at Daylight.

L. HENNEQUIN, Agent.

Hongkong, December 27, 1878.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES

MARITIMES.

S. S. IRAOUADY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S.

Copernic, from London, in connection

with the above Steamer, are hereby

informed that their Goods are being

landed and stored at their risk at the Com-

pany's Godown, whence delivery may be

obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on,

unless intimation is received from the Con-

signees, before TO-DAY, the 27th Inst.,

at 2 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY,

the 2nd January, 1879, at Noon, will

be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

L. HENNEQUIN, Agent.

Hongkong, December 27, 1878.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Dec. 27, Yangtze, British steamer, from Canton.

Dec. 27, Yungching, Chinese steamer, from Canton.

Dec. 27, Onward, British schooner, 200, H. Boysen, Swatow Dec. 16, Beana.—Lane, Crawford & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 27, Namoo, for Amoy.

CLEARED.

Douglas, for Coast Ports.

Business, for Yokohama.

Penedo, for Saigon.

Holstein, for Guam.

PASSENGERS.

To Depart.

Per Penedo, from Saigon, 120 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British schooner Onward reports: During the whole passage hard gales and a heavy sea from the North and East.

Shipping Intelligence.

The following is corrected from the latest

London and Colonial Papers, &c.:—

VESSELS TO ARRIVE.

AT HONGKONG.

When Name. From.

28, Orade, Liverpool.

30, Bristolian, Antwerp.

28, Underwriter, Fortress Monroe.

18, Annie Bow, Newcastle (N.W.).

18, Lorimer, Newcastle (N.W.).

21, Sydenham, London.

21, Stant, Antwerp.

27, Pilgrim, Cardiff.

28, Abbey Cooper, Antwerp.

30, Sumaride, Hamburg.

31, Chamer, Cardiff.

4, Bury St. Edmunds, Penarth.

7, Alfredo, Cardiff.

9, Urania, Penarth.

10, Core, London.

11, Lota, Cardiff.

16, Friedrich, Cardiff.

18, Excelsior, Hamburg.

17, James Shepherd, London.

17, Ollunum, Liverpool via Old.

23, Coloma, San Francisco.

18, Jacobine, Liverpool.

19, Hermann, Bremen.

8, Jan Peter, Maaslois.

12, Hector (s.), Liverpool.

LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN PORTS.

At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal, Glenorchy.

At Liverpool.

Nestor (s.) Tenter (s.)

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.—

Per Hakon delatien, at 9.30 a.m. To-

morrow, the 28th inst., instead of as

previously notified.

For HOHOW & HAIPHONG, (with

Mails for Pakhoi and Hanoi).—

Per Zhale, at 9.30 p.m., on Saturday,

the 28th inst.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

MAILS will close:—

For SINGAPORE, E. AUSTRALIA, &c.—

Per Somerset, at 1 p.m. To-morrow, the

28th inst., instead of as previously

notified.

For PORT DARWIN, SYDNEY, COOK-

TOWN, MELBOURNE, &c.—

Per Zambonga, at 2.30 p.m., on Satur-

day, the 28th inst. 12 cent rates.

For SHANGHAI.—

Per Yungching, at 2.30 p.m. To-morrow,

the 28th inst.

Per Yangtze, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow,

the 28th inst.

Per Iracundy, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the

28th inst. Late letters received

from 5.10 to 5.30, with 18 cents late

fee.

For YOKOHAMA.—

Per Volga, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the

28th inst.

For YOKOHAMA & HIOGO.—

Per Burgh, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow,

the 28th inst., instead of as pre-

viously notified.

For TAKOW, TAIWAN, AND YOKO-

HAMA.—

Per Agan, at 4.30 p.m. To-morrow, the

28th inst., instead of as previously

notified.

For SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCOW.—

Per Douglas, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the

28th inst., instead of as previously

notified.

For SAIGON.—

Per Olive, at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, the

3rd January.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKER.—

The French Contract Packet Peiho will

be despatched from Hongkong on

SATURDAY, the 28th Instant, with

Mails to and through the United

Kingdom and Europe, via Naples;

to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia,

Galle, Australia, New Zealand,

Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychel-

les,

Do, Minimum over night 82

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;

Also,
MAHE, ST. DENIS, PORT LOUIS,
AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON SATURDAY, the 28th December, 1878, at Noon, the Company's S. S. *PELHO*, Commandant PASQUINI, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 p.m., Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the 27th December, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.)

Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

L. HENNEQUIN,
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, December 14, 1878. de28

Occidental & Oriental Steam Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,

IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL and UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "GAELIC" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 2nd January, 1879, at 8 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 1st January. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A Reduction is made on RETURN PASSENGER TICKETS.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, December 27, 1878. ja2

To Let.

WANTED.

POSSESSION 15TH JANUARY NEXT, in a Central Locality.

A HOUSE or 4-6 ROOMS. Apply to A. B. C., China Mail Office.

Hongkong, December 18, 1878.

TO LET.

IN the Houses on MARINE LOT 65, formerly known as the Blue Houses, situate on Praya East:

No. 2, THE FIRST FLOOR, with immediate possession.

No. 3, THE FIRST FLOOR and BASEMENT, either separately or together, with immediate possession.

Also, SIX SPACIOUS ROOMS, with Corridors and Out-houses in the DWELLING HOUSE, to the Eastward of the Pier at Wanchai. These may be had in Apartments of Two or Three Rooms to suit convenience. Fine spacious Verandah looking on the Harbour. Immediate Possession.

TO LET.

FIRST CLASS GRANITE GODOWNS, attached to Blue Houses at Wanchai, MARINE LOT 65.

Also, A SPACIOUS TIMBER YARD, close to the Wanchai Pier. Timber received on Storage or the Yard Rented.

For further particulars, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

TO LET.

THREE OFFICES, in Club Chambers. Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, November 23, 1878.

TO BE LET.

TWO Excellent STONE-FLOORED GODOWNS, on Marine Lot No. 10, Praya Central.

Apply to TURNER & Co.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878.

NOW READY.

A CHINESE DICTIONARY IN THE CANTONESE DIALECT. Part I. and II. A to M, with Introduction. Royal 8vo, pp. 404.—By ERNEST JOHN EITEL, Ph.D. Tubingen.

Price Five Dollars, or Two Dollars and a Half per Part.

To be had from Messrs LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., Hongkong and Shanghai; and Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Shanghai.

Hongkong, March 1, 1878.

Intimations.

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE at Moderate Rates, in FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

MEYER & Co.,
Proprietors.
Hongkong, November 23, 1878. my23

NOTICE.

FOUNDRY AND DOCK, FOR SALE OR TO BE LET.

TENDERS will be Received until the 1st JANUARY, 1879, for the absolute PURCHASE or LEASE for One, Two or Three Years of all that VALUABLE PROPERTY known as the CHINA MERCHANTS STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S FOUNDRY, situate at Hongkew, Shanghai, in the Empire of China, comprising several Rows of GODOWNS and DWELLING HOUSES for the Staff, and several Rows of WORKSHOPS, with all TOOLS, &c., complete, and Covering an Area of about 2½ acres. The Foundry commands a fine River Frontage of about 300 feet Long, and is the most complete for the Building and Repairing of Ships in China.

Applicants are requested to state the Terms upon which they will take the above Property.

SIMILAR TENDERS will be Received until the 1st JANUARY, 1879, for the COMPANY'S DOCK, situate at Pootung, Shanghai, in the Empire of China, which Dock measures 336 feet by 78 feet, Dock Entrance 12 feet, River Frontage about 1,200 feet, and Covering an Area of about 4 English acres, with TWO DWELLING HOUSES, a BLACKSMITH SHOP and CARPENTER'S SHED attached.

In case of a Sale, one half of the Purchase Money can remain on mortgage of the Property assigned, and in the case of a Lease, substantial security must be given for the due fulfillment of the same by the Lessee. The Company does not bind itself to accept the highest or any Tender.

For further particulars, apply to CHINA MERCHANTS STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,

Hankow Road,

SHANGHAI. ja2

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off CLOTHING, BOOKS, or PAPERS will be thankfully received at the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 26, 1878.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I Have This Day RESUMED my BUSINESS as MARINE SURVEYOR at this Port.

R. H. CAIRNS,
Surveyor to Local Insurance Offices and Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

Club Chambers, Hongkong, December 21, 1878. fel

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned being about to Close his Firm at Swatow, hereby notifies that all DEBTS and CLAIMS due to or by him, he will Collect and Pay.

The Interest and Good will of his Business has been transferred to Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

E. VINCENT.

Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Messrs DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. have This Day Established a BRANCH of their Firm at Swatow, and have authorized Mr G. D. PITMAN to Sign per Procuration.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, November 30, 1878.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself as GENERAL AND SHARE BROKER.

CARL DENEKE.

Office, Bank Buildings, Hongkong, December 3, 1878.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of the Undersigned in the Chinese Mail, 華字日報 (Wah Tze Yat Po), CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but Debts prior to that Date will be received and paid by him.

CHUN AYIN.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

NOTICE.

IN Reference to the above, the Undersigned has LEASED the Chinese Mail from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged the services of Mr LEONG YOCK CHUN, as Translator and General Manager of the newspaper, which under its new regime will be found to be, as hitherto, an excellent medium for advertising, especially as the Manager is able to devote his whole attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.

KONG CHIM,

Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail.

Hongkong, April 6, 1878.

Insurance.

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above-named Company, are prepared to Grant Policies against FIRE on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of \$50,000, at the usual Rates, subject to an immediate Discount of 20 per cent.

Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premiums for Life Insurance in China.

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, August 15, 1878.

Insurance.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang.

Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEES.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.

CAPITAL £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS at Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of \$10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same, at the usual Rates, subject to a discount of 20 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, July 6, 1878.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to \$1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information, apply to ARNOLD, KARBURG & Co.,

Agents, Hongkong & Canton.

Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE to the extent of \$45,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein, at current local rates, subject to a Discount of 20% on the Premium.

NORTON & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on Marine Risks to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit, are distributed annually to Contributors whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premiums contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,

General Agent,

pro tem.

Hongkong, December 9, 1878.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER of His Majesty King George The First, A. D. 1720.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Corporation are prepared to grant Insurances as follows:—

Marine Department.

Policies at current rates payable either here, in London or at the principal Ports of India, China and Australia.

Fire Department.

Policies issued for long or short periods at current rates. A discount of 20% allowed.

Life Department.

Policies issued for sums not exceeding £5,000 at reduced rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.

Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

MELOERS & Co.,

Agents, Royal Insurance Company.

Hongkong, October 27, 1874.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

Exclusive of late Arrivals and Departures reported to-day.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eight Sections, commencing at Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore B., and those in the body of the Shipping or midway between each shore are marked C., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.
8. From Pier to East Point.

Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers								
Argoan	k d	Stewart	Brit. str.	843	Dec. 13	Linstead & Co.	Takow & Yokohama	To-morrow
Argyll	5 c	Scott	Brit. str.	1271	Dec. 22	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Bombay	1 h		Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	K'wok Acheong		
Burmese	5 c	Luck	Brit. str.	1218	Dec. 22	Melchers & Co.	Yokohama & Higo	at daylight
Cassandra	2 h	Langer	Ger. str.	937	Dec. 26	Siemssen & Co.		
Chinkiang	urr		Brit. str.	799	Dec. 21	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	K'loon Dock
Clive	2 h	Prowse	Brit. str.	810	Dec. 8	Ah Yon	Saigon	3rd prox.
Dale		Thompson	Brit. str.	654	Dec. 17	Fuen Fat Hong	Bangkok	Sanda's Slip
Douglas	5 h	Yang	Brit. str.	894	Dec. 22	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	23th daylight
Fama	6 h	Stopani	Brit. str.	117	Dec. 21	H. K. & W'poo Dock Co.		Tug Flying
Gaelic	3 h	Kidley	Brit. str.	1712	Dec. 21	O. & S. S. Co.	Yama & S. Faisee	21st inst.
Hailong	5 h	Goode	Brit. str.	277	Dec. 25	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Tamsui, &c.	29th inst.
Hakon Adelsen	5 c	Bergh	Norw. str.	1004	Nov. 28	Hop Kee	Saporo and Penang	To-day
Ironadddy	5 c	Gauvain	Foh. str.	2558	Dec. 26	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	To-morrow
Malacca	2 h	Smith	Brit. str.	1846	Dec. 18	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails
Namoa	5 h	Westoby	Brit. str.	862	Dec. 25	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Amoy	To-day
Norna	3 k		Brit. str.	606	June 28	K'wok Acheong		
Olympia	2 h	Nagel	Ger. str.	783	Dec. 15	Siemssen & Co.	Saigon	28th inst.
Peibo	5 c	Pasqualini	Foh. str.	3125	Dec. 25	Messageries Maritimes	Marseilles, &c.	To-morrow
Peneda	5 c	Cain	Brit. str.	652	Dec. 19	Melchers & Co.	Saigon	To-day
Perusia	5 c	McKirdy	Belg. str.	2297	Dec. 17	Order		
Sea Gull	1 c	Roberts	Amer. str.	48	July 18	W. H. Ray		
Somerset	5 h	Pockley	Brit. str.	1100	Dec. 11	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	To-morrow
Thales	4 c	Pocock	Brit. str.	825	Dec. 17	Douglas Lapraik & Co.		
Volga	4 c	Rolland	Foh. str.	1200	Dec. 26	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	To-morrow
Yangtze	4 c	Schultze	Brit. str.	782	Dec. 27	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai	To-morrow
Yungching	4 h	Wallace	Chl. str.	766	Dec. 27	C. M. S. N. Co.	Shanghai	
Zamboanga	4 c	Arranguren	Span. str.	615	Dec. 12	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	Australian Ports	To-morrow